

Streamlining State Is The Next Big Job

By ADDISON BRAGG
Gazette Staff Writer

The funding and assignment of responsibilities in statewide planning will be a major job of the 1969 legislative session, Gov. Tim Babcock told a planning seminar Friday.

Gov. Babcock, speaking in the Security Federal Savings and Loan Association to legislators and city and county officials involved in planning, said by Montana's planning and economic development commission.

"We now have a document on which to base our planning—and one which is more than generalities."

sources and expertise—in planning development in the state.

"IF THE LEGISLATURE is to be a vital force in Montana, it must plan as to the direction of state progress," said House Majority Leader James P. Lusk. (Continued on Page 8)

Election Machines Guarded

A deputy sheriff will guard election machines on the fourth floor of the courthouse 24-hours-a-day beginning Friday night until they are sealed and delivered, County Commissioner A. S. (Bud) Roberts said Friday.

Also, said Roberts, commissioners are checking out possibility of changing the locks on the floor which houses the 210 machines.

The action is on a request by Mrs. Lucille Behrendt, county election officer, Roberts said, and is agreeable to commissioners and Sheriff Roy Stewart.

Mrs. Behrendt admitted that the machines had never been guarded but that she had been told that they were being guarded.

"I am just being precautionary," she wasn't in charge in other elections, she mentioned, and if machines weren't guarded then, it was some other person's responsibility.

Mrs. Behrendt admitted, "You hear rumors around, of course." But she won't even repeat them, she said, since they are nothing but rumors.

Roberts said Mrs. Behrendt and her staff might have to work during the weekend setting up machines up but that hopefully they would be ready Tuesday morning, giving just one week to get them delivered.

Mrs. Behrendt said her machine custodian would check each machine before it is sealed.

Then King Warehouse men and courthouse custodians will move the about 1,500-pound machines to their destinations.

openly in Cascade County until this week discovered.

Moreover, some gambling has operated sporadically but openly under the noses of Cascade County officials, the investigation found.

Teachers Get Color Chalk-Talk

By HARVEY GRAY
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A battery of five state political candidates faced over 300 Montana teachers Friday morning, but it is anyone's guess as to who came out ahead.

Gov. Tim Babcock, Attorney General Forrest Anderson and Reform Party Candidate Wayne Montgomery each outlined his plans for the state government if elected. All discussed it instead of being irresponsible and letting it fall back on the property owner.

Dolores Colburg and Henry Cox, candidates for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, outlined their educational plans for the state.

Gov. BABCOCK stressed two

points: the need for tax reform and the sales tax. Speaking of reform, the Governor said, "We cannot continue to do a good job in education without it. The first responsibility of the state government lies in the education of its young people."

Speaking in favor of his sales tax proposal, Babcock remarked, "Maybe we can be responsible in the next session of the legislature and fund this (the school foundation program) instead of being irresponsible and letting it fall back on the property owner."

Babcock said, of the sales tax proposal, "It has entered into the realm of politics. I wish it hadn't for it has no place here. But there is no other place to

go to finance state government. Economists will tell you," he contended, "it has the greatest amount of equity of any tax."

ANDERSON RIPPED into the sales tax plan and called for an income tax hike "of about 10 per cent."

He said the sales tax would mean instant inflation for the state's older citizens and that "it is a way of shifting the burden from those most able to pay to those least able to pay."

"We in Montana live in an agricultural economy," he warned, "and a sales tax in any way would be a disaster."

Anderson said he is in favor of the state funding its portion of the school foundation pro-

gram 100 per cent and that inequities in property taxes should be remedied. He noted "The Northern Pacific Railroad pays only a 10 per cent corporation license tax each year. It is not fair," he continued, "to place that burden on the backs of one quarter of the population who have a fixed income."

IN EXPLAINING his income tax proposal, Anderson gave figures regarding the amounts various income brackets would pay. When he came to that in which teachers lie, he noted, "That's the bracket you are in." And a noticeable grumble swept through the Billings Senior High School auditorium.

He said he feels a reorganiza-

tion of state government "may cut cost and can serve the people better. Money alone has never solved anybody's problem," he said. "Without management you can't solve the problems of Montana."

Wayne Montgomery told the teachers "we have to provide new opportunities for our youth. They must be provided with productive work in the future."

He recommended broadening vocational devices. And he challenged "narrow research that doesn't take into account man's deteriorating existence."

"Education should not be an easy way out for those who do not want to face the realities of their times," he concluded.



Forrest Anderson, gubernatorial hopeful, takes the microphone during the Friday morning citizenship session of the Eastern Montana Education Association convention. Seated, left to right are, Lloyd Mickelson, who presided, Henry Cox, Gov. Tim Babcock and Dolores Colburg.—Gazette photo by Bill Tutocoy.

Great Falls 'Vice' Goes Into Hiding

By GAZETTE STAFF BUREAU
—GREAT FALLS—Two houses of prostitution flourished

Equally revealing was a visit to a place which had a house of prostitution adjacent to its legitimate beer operation. The three-building complex—beer bar, trailer, and prostitutes'

cribs—is situated near a meat packing plant northeast of the Great Falls city limits.

A HEAVY-SET elderly Negro was alone in the bar, sleepily watching "Star Trek" on television.

Asked if there were any girls, he said, "They've all come home." He said he allowed that business was terrible. "The boss told us to close down," he said. He declined to say who the boss was. Closure of the prostitution enterprise was due to the "Butte thing," he said.

He said the other house of prostitution, a "guest ranch" located just north of Black Eagle, also was closed down.

A drive by the "guest ranch" indicated that he spoke the truth. Only two German shepherd dogs were around. A high fence surrounded the premises, but no horses or humans were to be seen.

PERSON A FTER PERSON said that Great Falls community leaders approved the beer joint enterprise so that black airmen would have something to do for female companionship.

The "guest ranch" catered to white men, the beer bar place to supposedly Negroes. There are many black airmen stationed at Malmstrom Air Force Base near Great Falls.

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Most of it is confined to private clubs, fraternal and social, plus an occasional spillover in the operation of some more daring individual.

Sam Reynolds, editorial page editor of The Missoulian in Missoula, and Jerry Holloran, Helena, state bureau chief for Lee Newspapers of Montana, on a visit to Great Falls this week found that some gambling and, particularly, prostitution have operated openly and for a long time with the apparent tacit approval of many leading citizens as well as law enforcement officials.

RIGHT NOW the lid is on tight, however. As one bar owner said, "The heat's on because of this Butte thing."

The "Butte Thing" was the series of reports run by the Great Falls Tribune describing prostitution a d gambling in Butte.

The same bar owner admitted that he often has run craps and 21 games in an upstairs room at his bar and supper club. He said he probably would keep his games closed even after the Nov. election.

Slow-garage games of pan, pitch and rummy are to be found in Billings like they are in most of eastern Montana. They are legal in certain variations but probably reach over into the illegal variety as often as not.

Slot machines, the electronic variety, can be seen from time to time but the thrill of the old one-armed bandit isn't there.

"Youthful offenders can be required to prepare research reports with bibliographies on the area of their offense," he said, giving as an example, a report on alcoholism's tragic effects by the youth caught in possession of intoxicating beverages.

"Probation officers should have professional degrees in child psychology, with a minimum of a BA degree and preferably a masters degree," he said.

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'JD's Need Big Brother'

Deer Lodge and Miles City should be "institutions of last resort for youthful offenders," said Wayne Montgomery, New Reform Party candidate, speaking at Billings Exchange Club Friday morning.

He listed ways juvenile probation officers can effectively work with their communities, and called for "more local involvement of schools, civic groups, and government agencies," in preventing juvenile crime.

A trained professional warden and a full-time psychiatrist are needed at Deer Lodge, Montgomery said.

"Professionalism can cut down on the percentages of those who return to our corrective institutions," he said.

Montgomery quoted the New Reform Party platform, saying, "We support measures to improve understanding and

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After his 15-minute visit, Johnson reported his daughter, Linda Robb, was "looking beautiful and feeling fine" after the birth of her first child, a 7-pound, 8-ounce girl early today.

Both mother and baby were "doing good and are really happy," the President said.

Little Lyn, 16 months old, wearing a navy blue sailor suit, was shown off properly by his grandfather, who walked him hand in hand up the steps of the medical center.

Lyn tripped at the front door but was happily rescued by aides and the President.

Johnson said he showed Lyn "his little cousin and he waved at her" in the third floor presidential suite nursery.

Mrs. Johnson and Lynda's sister, 21-year-old Luci Nugent, Lyn's mother, were still at the hospital, where they remained overnight with Lynda.

Shortly after Johnson's departure, Mrs. Johnson, in a bright red dress, came down to tell newsmen, "The baby is fine, very pink and vocal." She added, "She's a pretty well formed,

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Move Cans, Save Money

By Charlie Fleming
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"If the city doesn't give a damn where the garbage cans are, I don't either," says Leonard Codenys, 641 Beverly Hills Blvd.

Soo Friday, he says, he front his three on the street in front of his home, where cars sometimes park. He figures it will save him \$22 per year.

In 1960, he says, he bought two adjacent houses. His father-in-law lives in one and himself, his wife and two children in the other.

There was one garbage pickup for the two houses, costing him \$22 per year then, he says.

ABOUT 1963 or 1964 charges for the one pickup for the two houses went to \$29.70, Codenys says.

But Thursday, says Codenys, Roy Bennett, sanitation superintendent, told him that with two houses he would be charged for

two pickups even if there is only one stopping point.

And, says Codenys, he was informed that the charge will be \$33 per house, meaning \$66 total per year.

The extra \$11 per year per house is for backing a few feet up his driveway, since he doesn't have an alley behind his home, Codenys says.

For \$66 per year, Codenys says, he can dump his own garbage.

But by putting the cans in the street, saving backing into his yard, the city charge should be \$44 per year for the one pickup for the two houses.

HE SAYS HIS actions are no reflection on the garbage men themselves but on "bigger ups, who he did not name."

Bennett was not expected in his office until Monday, but John Ruff, foreman in the sanitation department, says garbage cans can be set on boule-

ards on collection days if the home has no alley, but not on the street.

The last garbage rate increase, Ruff says, was in about 1961 or 1962 and was 10 per cent.

Charges now, Ruff says, are \$22 per house (even if two or more houses use one rack) but \$33 per house if the truck has to drive in and back out due to absence of alley.

If both houses are on the same lot, then it's \$22 per year for the first house and \$7.70 for the second, he says.

A Miracle

Here's one to mark on the calendar, in answer to those who say the weather's always bad over the weeks.

Friday and Saturday will be unseasonably warm, with moderate westerly winds and less than 10 per cent chance of rain.

The low Friday will be near 50 and the high on Saturday near 70.

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Mrs. Charles Robb
A Delighted Mother

—Photofax

Cuban Missiles Aim At U.S., Reagan says

By DAN FOLEY Gazette State Bureau

HELENA — California Gov. Ronald Reagan told a crowd of 470 at a fund raising breakfast here Thursday that "There is evidence to plan that there are missiles in Cuba 'pointing at our shores.'"

Reagan said his information was from the same sources who told us yesterday there were there in the first place" during the Cuban missile crisis in 1962.

THE CALIFORNIA governor made his remark during a question-and-answer period following the breakfast, which was sponsored by the state's Nixon-Agnew committee.

Reagan also said that some of the terms of the agreement which ended the missile crisis were never implemented, including site inspection.

When asked what the U.S. should do about the present problem, Reagan suggested complete implementation of this agreement, but added:

"I don't think anyone can really talk about the options until the President has the information available to the President. It would be presumptuous of me to suggest an answer without that information."

Reagan also hinted that the demonstrations during the Chicago convention and on college campuses are being inspired by the Communists. Immediately following the convention, leaders of the Chicago rioting met in Budapest, Hungary, with representatives from North Vietnam to plan further student riots, the governor said.

TWO OF the leaders also came directly to Berkeley and are now involved in the student demonstrations there, the governor added.

Reagan said that college administrators "have followed a policy of appeasement" in dealing with students. Administrators would more properly prevent student unrest, Reagan said, if they warned militant faculty members they would be asked to leave the school and warned student activists they would have to get their education elsewhere.

Reagan also was critical of the administration because there was "only a whimper from Washington" when Russia invaded Czechoslovakia. Reagan said that the United States should "ask other nations to quarantine Russian borders of all types and to withdraw until Soviet troops are withdrawn."

He suggested that Russian planes not be allowed to land at U.S. airports and that they be shot down without the Bolshoi ballet.

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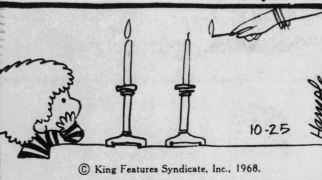
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Children's Letters To God Dear God We got a lot of religion in our house. So don't worry about us. Reddy



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Juvenile Court Wrapped in Emotion

The juvenile court system is wrapped in emotionalism, and understanding of it is difficult says Lions Club Luedke.

Billings Lions Club heard Judge Luedke discuss the Gault and Miranda decisions and explain the Montana Citizens for Court Improvement Thursday.

"It's not true that the Gault decision controls the total juvenile court system in all phases," Judge Luedke said. The impact for Montana was to "impose little more than what Montana statutes and courts were already providing," he said.

Montana's juvenile code adopted in 1943 is one of the nation's most modern, he said.

PUBLIC understanding of juvenile matters is difficult because "those on the outside with the least information are free to issue statements, while the court, which has the information is prevented from responding," he said.

The solution is for the legislature, he said. "In this area the courts are bound by the laws given to them."

Essence of the Gault decision is that a juvenile, when formally charged, should receive all the rights of a criminal but at the same time is not treated as one," Judge Luedke said.

The decision has restricted the role of a substitute or auxiliary parent, the judge said.

"IT IS ONLY when there are no responsible parents or where the efforts of parents fail that the court is required to step in and take over the actual care, education and discipline of the juvenile. This is the area controlled by the Gault decision," said Judge Luedke.

The Miranda decision states there shall be no custodial questioning unless an accused is advised of constitutional rights.

The decision has restricted law enforcement, and police are able to secure confessions, he said.

"Unlike the Miranda warning, which is almost mechanical, certain words must be used by the confession fails, the surrounding waiver is a matter of judgment by the court, he said.

"It is in this area that the court can and does operate to see that fairness, both to the defendant and to the public results," he commented.

JUDGE LUEDKE discussed the Montana Citizens for Court Improvement, telling about how 100 persons met in Great Falls two years ago to form the citizens' conference.

They found that a "permanent citizens' steering committee should be formed immediately," and the non-profit corporation was formed, he said.

He said the Montana Bar Association had expressed itself similarly by establishing a state-wide judicial selection committee.

"When Judge Derry retired in 1967, the judges and lawyers insisted upon a merit selection system to find his successor," said Judge Luedke.

The safe was wheeled to the side-door and loaded into a vehicle, probably a pick-up, he said.

The safe was found around 9 a.m. Friday south of Billings, he said.

TWO INJURED In Auto Crash A woman and her four-year-old daughter suffered minor injuries Thursday in a three-car accident at Virginia Lane and Rimrock Road.

Mrs. Betty Kitt, 36, 1011 N. 26th St., and her daughter, Stacey, were treated and released at St. Vincent's Hospital.

Mrs. Kitt was traveling east on Rimrock Road and collided with a car driven by James Lindell, 15, 445 Rimrock Road, who was driving forward, south of her driveway, police said.

The impact then forced the Lindell car into an auto driven by Vesta Woods, 929 Parkhill Drive, who had stopped at the stop sign, according to police.

Neither of the other drivers was injured.

Priest Won't Be Charged The county attorney's office tried to file a charge against a North Dakota priest Thursday but was resisted by the priest's lawyers.

Deputy County Attorney Chris J. Nelson asked permission of the court to file a charge against Rev. John E. Garvin, 59, Dickinson, N.D., of failing to stop after being involved in an accident.

Garvin's lawyers, Joseph F. Meegan and John C. Sheehy, immediately requested a hearing be set on Nelson's motion because the charge was not based on clearly demonstrated probable cause.

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